

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: \_\_\_\_\_)

Art Unit: 1645

Henry C. LIN *et al.*

Examiner: Rodney P. Swartz

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For: *METHODS OF DIAGNOSING AND  
TREATING SMALL INTESTINAL  
BACTERIAL OVERGROWTH (SIBO)  
AND SIBO-RELATED CONDITIONS*

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 9, 2004 ("Office Action") in connection with the above-identified application. This response is being filed together with a request for a two (2) month extension of time, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and the requisite fee, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2). Further, in view of the Terminal Disclaimer filed under 37 CFR § 1.321(c), which is attached hereto, please enter and consider the following amendment and remarks.